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SUBJECT: JAMAICA TRADE WITH CUBA

REF: KINGSLEY/ROGERS' TELECON FEBRUARY 20

1. FORMER PRESIDENT OF JAMAICA MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION, RAY HADEED, STATED ON RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCAST THAT ANY LOCAL MANUFACTURER WHO IMPORTED RAW MATERIAL FROM THE US COULD NOT ENTER INTO TRADE WITH CUBA WITHOUT RISKING A TOTAL EMBARGO IN HIS SOURCE OF RAW MATERIAL. AS REPORTED IN JAMAICA DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL, HADEED'S POINT WAS THAT JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT HAD TO "OBTAIN AGREEMENT WITH US GOVERNMENT TO PERMIT LOCAL MANUFACTURERS TO EXPORT THEIR PRODUCTS TO CUBA." THIS STATEMENT WAS CONTRARY TO THAT OF ACTING DIRECTOR OF JAMAICA EXPORT COUNCIL REGINALD HARRIS WHO HAD EARLIER EXPLAINED IN ANOTHER RADIO PROGRAM THAT JAMAICAN EXPORTERS WOULD ENCOUNTER "NO PROBLEM IN TRADING WITH CUBA." DAILY NEWS EDITORIAL ALSO STATED THAT DESPITE ECONOMIC BLOCKADE OF CUBA, LATIN AMERICAN SUBSIDIARIES OF FORD, CHRYSLER, AND GENERAL MOTORS WERE SELLING VEHICLES TO CUBA

2. APPARENTLY BECOMING UNCERTAIN OF HIS FACTS, HADEED HAS CONTACTED EMBASSY CONCERNING REGULATIONS GOVERNING TRADE WITH CUBA BY INDIVIDUAL BUSINESSMEN. BEFORE COMMENTING ON

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